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Dear Parent,

Enclosed is an important survey regarding your child's special education services in Utah's public schools. Your time and prompt attention to filling out and returning this survey would be greatly appreciated.

Reason for the Survey

The Utah State Office of Education (USOE) Special Education Services department is required by the U.S. Department of Education to submit a State Performance Plan, which can be viewed at http://www.schools.utah.gov/sars/. This plan includes monitoring priorities, indicators, and specific measures determined by the U.S. Secretary of Education. One of the required activities of the plan is to seek information from parents regarding their child's special education services.

How This Information Will Be Used

The information you submit is confidential. No one but the staff at the USOE will see your answers. The compiled information from this survey will help guide efforts to improve educational services and results for children and families. Other families across the country are filling out a similar survey. The survey results will be more useful if everyone who receives the survey completes it and sends it in.

How to Send the Survey

After you have completed the survey, please send it back in the enclosed, pre-paid envelope. If you have any questions regarding this survey, please call Glenna Gallo of the USOE Special Education Services department at (801) 538-7898 or the Utah Parent Center at (801) 272-1051

Thank you for helping to improve special education services for all children in Utah.

Sincerely

Nan Gray, Director Special Education Services

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